

**Introduced by Senator Florez**

February 18, 2010

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An act to amend Section 19867 of the Business and Professions Code, relating to gaming.

**LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST**

SB 1125, as introduced, Florez. Gambling Control Act: licensing fees

The Gambling Control Act provides for the licensure of certain individuals and establishments involved in various gambling activities, and for the regulation of those activities, by the California Gambling Control Commission. Existing law provides for the enforcement of those activities by the Department of Justice. Existing law requires that an application for a license or a determination of suitability be accompanied by a deposit that, in the judgment of the head of the entity within the Department of Justice that is responsible for fulfilling the obligations imposed by the act, will be adequate to pay the anticipated costs and charges incurred in the investigation and processing of the application. Existing law requires the head of that entity to adopt a schedule of costs and charges of investigation for use as guidelines in fixing the amount of any required deposit under these provisions.

This bill would require the department and commission to establish an enhanced fee schedule to provide for additional fees to be charged to applicants who wish to have their applications processed and background investigations conducted in an expedited manner.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1     SECTION 1. Section 19867 of the Business and Professions  
2     Code is amended to read:

3     19867. (a) An application for a license or a determination of  
4     suitability shall be accompanied by the deposit of a sum of money  
5     that, in the judgment of the chief, will be adequate to pay the  
6     anticipated costs and charges incurred in the investigation and  
7     processing of the application. The chief shall adopt a schedule of  
8     costs and charges of investigation for use as guidelines in fixing  
9     the amount of any required deposit under this section. The schedule  
10    shall distinguish between initial and renewal licenses with respect  
11    to costs and charges.

12    (b) During an investigation, the chief may require an applicant  
13    to deposit any additional sums as are required by the department  
14    to pay final costs and charges of the investigation.

15    (c) Any money received from an applicant in excess of the costs  
16    and charges incurred in the investigation or the processing of the  
17    application shall be refunded pursuant to regulations adopted by  
18    the department. At the conclusion of the investigation, the chief  
19    shall provide the applicant a written, itemized accounting of the  
20    costs and charges thereby incurred.

21    (d) *The department and the commission shall establish an*  
22    *enhanced fee schedule for applicants who wish to have their*  
23    *applications processed and background investigations conducted*  
24    *in an expedited manner. The payment of those enhanced fees shall*  
25    *entitle the applicant to have their applications processed in a*  
26    *shorter period of time than normally would be the case.*